

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at page 16, line 18 to page 17, line 10 as follows:

Referring now to Fig. 14, once installed on an insertion device, intervertebral implant 10 is inserted between vertebrae X and Y such that tabs 14 and 16 are aligned with the intervertebral space Z. Intervertebral implant 10 is inserted into the drilled hole a sufficient distance such that tabs 14 and 16 align with the enlarged portion G of bore E. Implant 10 is subsequently rotated approximately 90° such that tabs 14 and 16 rotate into enlarged portion G. As noted above, retaining surfaces 22a and 22b on tab 14 and retaining surfaces 24a and 24b on tab 16 engage edges of enlarged portion G of bore E and prevent expulsion of the implant from between the adjacent vertebrae A and B. It should be noted that the entire procedure may be accomplished without any substantial or excessive distraction between adjacent vertebrae. While the present disclosure provides installation slot ~~37~~ 32 and bore ~~32~~ 34 for receipt of an installation device, it is within the contemplated scope of the present disclosure to provide implant 10 with other structure to allow insertion and rotation of the implant by various insertion tools.